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**Committee of the Regions**

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**Thank you for your contribution to the OPEN DAYS 2015**

Dear partner,

We would like to thank you very much for having taken an active part in the organisation of the OPEN DAYS: 13<sup>th</sup> European Week of Regions and Cities, which took place in Brussels from 12 to 15 October 2015.

The wealth of debates, the high quality of contributions during the event itself and your commitment in the preparation phase made it again a great success. Together, we took the opportunity to exchange information and facilitate networking on novel approaches for implementing the European Structural and Investment Funds.

It is through the involvement of so many engaged partners that the OPEN DAYS succeeds in attracting over 6,000 local, regional, national and European officials and experts every year, and is able to show how much Europe matters to citizens and authorities at all levels of government. It offers ample confirmation that the future of Europe, its internal cohesion and its prosperity all depend on cities and regions working together.

We sincerely hope that you found your participation a rewarding experience and look forward to receiving your feedback and evaluation in view of a future cooperation within the framework of the 14<sup>th</sup> European Week of Regions and Cities, 10-13 October 2016.

Yours sincerely,

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